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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK			
IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER DISASTER SITE LITIGATION		21 MC 100 (AKH)	
CHARLES MIMMS AND MICHELLE MIMMS		DOCKET NO.	
Plaint	iffs,	CHECK-OFF ("SHE COMPLAINT RELATED TO THE MASTER COMPLA	${f E}$
- against -			
A RUSSO WRECKING, ET. AL.,		JURY	MAND A TRIAL BY
SEE ATTACHED RIDER,			
Defend	dants.		
By Order of the Honorable Alvin 2006, ("the Order"), Amended Master Con			<u> </u>
	NOTICE OF	ADOPTION	
All headings and paragraphs in the instant Plaintiff(s) as if fully set forth her Plaintiff(s), which are listed below. These a and specific case information is set forth, as	ein in addition are marked wi	n to those paragraphs th an '☑" if applicable	specific to the individual

Plaintiffs, CHARLES MIMMS AND MICHELLE MIMMS, by his/her/their attorneys WORBY GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP, complaining of Defendant(s), respectfully allege:

## I. PARTIES

### A. PLAINTIFF(S)

l.			e "Injured Plaintiff"), is an ind	ividual and
a chizen of	New York residing at 232 Bla	air Avenue - Apt. 2, bro	IIX, N I 10403	
		(OR)		
2.	Alternatively, $\square$	is the	of Decedent	
	, and brings this claim	in his (her) capacity as	of the Estate of	•

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	nafter the "Derivative Plaintiff'), is a citizen of New NY 10465-, and has the following relationship to the
SPOUSE at all relevant times CHARLES MIMMS, and bri injuries sustained by her husb.	herein, is and has been lawfully married to Plaintiff ngs this derivative action for her (his) loss due to the and (his wife), Plaintiff CHARLES MIMMS.  Other:
4. In the period from 9/12/2001 to 11/15 Department of Transportation as a Drove Trucks Clean	5/2001 the Injured Plaintiff worked for NYC an Up at:
Please be as specific as possible when f	filling in the following dates and locations
The World Trade Center Site Location(s) ( <i>i.e.</i> , building, quadrant, etc.)  From on or about 9/12/2001 until 11/15/2001;	The Barge From on or about 9/12/2001 until 11/15/2001; Approximately 12 hours per day; for Approximately 65 days total.
Approximately <u>12</u> hours per day; for Approximately <u>65</u> days total.	Dother:* For injured plaintiffs who worked at
The New York City Medical Examiner's Office  From on or about until,  Approximately hours per day; for  Approximately days total.	Non-WTC Site building or location. The injured plaintiff worked at the address/location, for the dates alleged, for the hours per day, for the total days, and for the employer, as specified below:
✓ The Fresh Kills Landfill From on or about 9/12/2001 until 11/15/2001; Approximately 12 hours per day; for Approximately 65 days total.	From on or about until; Approximately hours per day; for Approximately days total; Name and Address of Non-WTC Site Building/Worksite:
	aper if necessary. If more space is needed to specify rate sheet of paper with the information.
5. Injured Plaintiff	
✓ Was exposed to and breathed above;	noxious fumes on all dates, at the site(s) indicated
✓ Was exposed to and inhaled o dates at the site(s) indicated above;	r ingested toxic substances and particulates on all
✓ Was exposed to and absorbed the site(s) indicated above;	or touched toxic or caustic substances on all dates at
✓ Other: Not yet determined.	

6.

Injured	l Plaintiff
V	Has not made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund. Pursuant to $$405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. $$40101$ , the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was denied. Pursuant to § $405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund, that was subsequently withdrawn by Ground-Zero Plaintiff. Pursuant to § 405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was granted. Pursuant to § $405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, Ground Zero-Plaintiff has waived her/his right(s) to pursue any further legal action for the injuries identified in said claim.

### B. DEFENDANT(S)

The following is a list of all Defendant(s) named in the Master Complaint. If checked, all paragraphs pertaining to that Defendant are deemed pleaded herein.

☐ THE CITY OF NEW YORK	☑ A RUSSO WRECKING
☐ A Notice of Claim was timely filed and	☑ ABM INDUSTRIES, INC.
served on and	☑ ABM JANITORIAL NORTHEAST, INC.
	☑ AMEC CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT,
☐ pursuant to General Municipal Law §50-	INC.
h the CITY held a hearing on(OR)	☑ AMEC EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
☐ The City has yet to hold a hearing as	☑ ANTHONY CORTESE SPECIALIZED
required by General Municipal Law §50-h	HAULING, LLC, INC.
☐ More than thirty days have passed and	☑ ATLANTIC HEYDT CORP
the City has not adjusted the claim	☑ BECHTEL ASSOCIATES PROFESSIONAL
(OR)	CORPORATION
☐ An Order to Show Cause application to	☑ BECHTEL CONSTRUCTION, INC.
deem Plaintiff's (Plaintiffs') Notice of	☑ BECHTEL CORPORATION
Claim timely filed, or in the alternative to grant	☑ BECHTEL ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
Plaintiff(s) leave to file a late Notice of Claim	☑ BERKEL & COMPANY, CONTRACTORS,
Nunc Pro Tunc (for leave to file a late Notice of	INC.
Claim Nunc Pro Tunc) has been filed and a	☑ BIG APPLE WRECKING & CONSTRUCTION
determination	CORP
is pending	$\square$ BOVIS LEND LEASE, INC.
☐ Granting petition was made on	☑ BOVIS LEND LEASE LMB, INC.
☐ Denying petition was made on	☑ BREEZE CARTING CORP
	☑ BREEZE NATIONAL, INC.
☐ PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND	☑ BRER-FOUR TRANSPORTATION CORP.
NEW JERSEY ["PORT AUTHORITY"]	☑ BURO HAPPOLD CONSULTING ENGINEERS,
☐ A Notice of Claim was filed and served	P.C.
pursuant to Chapter 179, §7 of The	☑ C.B. CONTRACTING CORP
Unconsolidated Laws of the State of New	☑ CANRON CONSTRUCTION CORP
York on	☐ CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF
☐ More than sixty days have elapsed since	NEW YORK, INC.
the Notice of Claim was filed, (and)	☑ CORD CONTRACTING CO., INC
☐ the PORT AUTHORITY has	☐ CRAIG TEST BORING COMPANY INC.
adjusted this claim	<ul><li>✓ DAKOTA DEMO-TECH</li><li>✓ DIAMOND POINT EXCAVATING CORP</li></ul>
the PORT AUTHORITY has not	☑ DIAMOND FOINT EXCAVATING CORP ☑ DIEGO CONSTRUCTION, INC.
adjusted this claim.	☑ DIEGO CONSTRUCTION, INC. ☑ DIVERSIFIED CARTING, INC.
=======================================	☑ DIVERSITIED CARTING, INC. ☑ DMT ENTERPRISE, INC.
□ 1 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ D'ONOFRIO GENERAL CONTRACTORS
□ 1 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	CORP
☐ 2 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ EAGLE LEASING & INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY
□ 2 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	✓ EAGLE ONE ROOFING CONTRACTORS INC.
☐ 4 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	□ EAGLE SCAFFOLDING CO, INC.
□ 4 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☑ EJ DAVIES, INC.
□ 5 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ EN-TECH CORP
□ 5 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	□ ET ENVIRONMENTAL
☐ 7 WORLD TRADE COMPANY, L.P.	✓EVANS ENVIRONMENTAL

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OTHER: \_

☑ ZIEGENFUSS DRILLING, INC.

✓ SEASONS INDUSTRIAL CONTRACTING

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☐ Non-WTC Site Building Owner	☐ Non-WTC Site Building Managing Agent
Name:	Name:
Business/Service Address:	
Building/Worksite Address:	Building/Worksite Address:
☐ Non-WTC Site Lessee	-
Name:	
Business/Service Address:	
Building/Worksite Address:	

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The Court's jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action is:

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Stabil	✓ Founded upon Federal Question Jurisdiction; specifically; ✓; Air Transport Safety & System Stabilization Act of 2001, (or); ☐ Federal Officers Jurisdiction, (or); ☐ Other (specify):; ☐ Contested, but the Court has already determined that it has removal jurisdiction over this action, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1441.					
	III CAUSES OF ACTION					
of lial			d defendants based upon the following theories a such a claim under the applicable substantive			
<b>V</b>	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law(s) including §§ 200 and 240	<b>V</b>	Common Law Negligence, including allegations of Fraud and Misrepresentation			
<b>▽</b>	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law 241(6)		<ul> <li>✓ Air Quality;</li> <li>✓ Effectiveness of Mask Provided;</li> <li>☐ Effectiveness of Other Safety Equipment Provided</li> </ul>			
	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-a		(specify:);  ✓ Other(specify): Not yet determined			
	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-e		Wrongful Death			
		<b>V</b>	Loss of Services/Loss of Consortium for Derivative Plaintiff			
		V	Pursuan to 46 U.S.C. § 688 <i>et seq.</i> , and 28 U.S.C. § 1333.			

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1. As a direct and proximate result of defendant's culpable actions in the rescue and/or recovery and/or construction, renovation, alteration, demolition and all work performed at the premises, the Injured Plaintiff sustained (including, but not limited to) the following injuries:

	Cancer Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work:		Cardiovascular Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work:
<b>V</b>	Respiratory Injury: <u>Respiratory Problems</u> Date of onset: <u>2/1/2006</u> Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: <u>To be supplied at a later date</u>	<b>✓</b>	Fear of Cancer Date of onset: 2/1/2006 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date
	Digestive Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to  WTC work:	V	Other Injury: <u>Sleep Problems</u> Date of onset: <u>2/1/2006</u> Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: <u>To be supplied at a later date</u>

NOTE: The foregoing is NOT an exhaustive list of injuries that may be alleged.

2. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries identified in paragraph "1", above, the Ground Zero-Plaintiff has in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer the following compensable damages:

damages:			
	Pain and suffering		Expenses for medical care, treatment, and rehabilitation
V	Loss of the enjoyment of life		Other:
<b>√</b>	Loss of earnings and/or impairment of earning capacity		<ul> <li>✓ Mental anguish</li> <li>✓ Disability</li> <li>✓ Medical monitoring</li> </ul>
V	Loss of retirement benefits/diminution of retirement benefits		✓ Other: Not yet determined.

3. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries described *supra*, the derivative plaintiff(s), if any, have in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer a loss of the love, society, companionship, services, affection, and support of the plaintiff and such other losses, injuries and damages for which compensation is legally appropriate.

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**WHEREFORE**, plaintiff(s) respectfully pray that the Court enter judgment in his/her/their favor and against defendant(s) for damages, costs of suit and such other, further and different relief as may be just and appropriate.

 $\label{eq:power_power} Plaintiff(s) \ demands \ that \ all \ issues \ of fact \ in \ this \ case \ be \ tried \ before \ a \ properly \ empanelled \ jury.$ 

Dated: New York, New York February 1, 2008

Yours, etc.,

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Jurisdiction is predicated upon 28 U.S.C. §1331, pursuant to 46 U.S.C. § 688, *et seq*, commonly, and hereafter referred to as the *Jones Act*, and under 28 U.S.C. § 1333, General Maritime and Admiralty Jurisdictions of the United States.

Weeks Marine barges are vessels of United States registry and either are or will be within the jurisdiction of this Court during the pendency of this action.

At all material times Weeks Marine was the owner and/or the owner *pro hoc vice*, and/or the bareboat charter of the barges.

At all material times Weeks Marine managed and/or controlled the barge(s).

Plaintiff's injuries occurred due to the negligence and fault of the defendants, their employees, and/or their agents and servants, in that they failed to have adequate and safe procedures for the seamen on the vessel to safely take on, haul, and remove debris, and dredge there was inadequate supervision, training, safety and health equipment and planning of the job.

The conditions, acts and omissions stated above rendered the barges unseaworthy as did the fact that the vessel was not properly designed to take on, haul, transport, and remove hazardous substances.

As a result of defendants' negligence and the unseaworthiness of the barge, plaintiff incurred loss of wages and found, medical expenses, pain and suffering, and will incur future loss of wages and found, medical expenses, pain and suffering.

#### ATTORNEY VERIFICATION

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO, an attorney at law, duly admitted to practice in the Courts of the State of New York, affirms under the penalties of perjury that:

He is the attorney for the plaintiff(s) in the above-entitled action.

That he has read the foregoing SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT and knows

the contents thereof, and upon information and belief, deponent believes

the matters alleged therein to be true.

The reason this Verification is made by deponent and not by the plaintiff(s) is that the plaintiff(s) herein reside(s) in a county other than the one in which the plaintiff's attorneys maintain their office.

The source of deponent's information and the grounds of his belief are communication, papers, reports and investigation contained in the file.

DATED: New York, New York February 1, 2008

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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- against -
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SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT
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